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January 17, 1996

Jerry North
Interstate Brick
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Re: Mine Plan Modification, Interstate Brick Company, Smokey Joe Mine, M/049/002, Utah County, Utah

Dear Mr. North:

The Division has completed an initial review of your latest proposal to modify the existing approved mining and reclamation plan on file for the Smokey Joe Project, located in Utah County, Utah. The following comments will need to be addressed before we can determine whether your application should be processed as an amendment or a revision to the existing Smokey Joe permit. An "amendment" is considered a minor change to a large mining notice. A "revision" is considered a major change to an approved mining permit requiring much more detailed information and a 30-day public notice prior to Division approval. The determination is based on acreage and several other criteria. Presently, we do not have enough information to make this decision.

Please provide the following information:

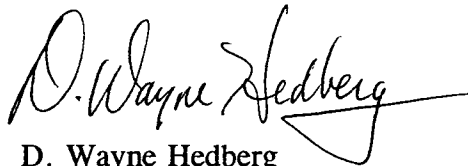
1. An accurate description of the existing disturbed acreage for the Smokey Joe Mine, and for the proposed revision (the Fox Clay extension). On an appropriately scaled map, please identify the areas that you have mined and those you intend to mine. Please include pit areas, wasterock areas, mined ore and topsoil storage stockpile locations, roads, etc. Mr. John Blake of the School Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) informed us that he has requested a map from you showing proposed disturbances on the State leased land at a scale of 1 inch equals 50 feet. This map scale would be suitable for us as well. In an August 3, 1995 letter, you informed SITLA that you propose to disturb ten acres on the Fox Clay extension. This acreage description was not identified on the maps or in the correspondence which we have received from you.



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The Division will suspend further review of the Fox Clay Extension of the Smokey Joe Mine until we receive your response to this letter. The Division cannot make a decision on how to proceed to process this permit modification until we receive the requested information. If you have any questions in this regard please contact me or Tom Munson of my staff. If you wish to arrange a meeting to sit down and discuss this review, please contact us at your earliest convenience. Thank you for your cooperation in helping to complete this permitting action.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "D. Wayne Hedberg". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

D. Wayne Hedberg
Permit Supervisor
Minerals Regulatory Program

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cc: John Blake, SITLA
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